BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT)	
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A)	PSC DOCKET NO. 18-0953
VOLUNTARY PROGRAM FOR PREPAID)	
POWER)	
(FILED JULY 12, 2018))	

ORDER NO. <u>9430</u>

AND NOW, this 16th day of July, 2019, the Delaware Public Service Commission ("Commission") hereby decrees and orders as follows:

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2018, Delmarva Power & Light Company ("Delmarva") filed an application (the "Application") with the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 201 for Approval of a Voluntary Program for Prepaid Power (the "Prepaid Power Program" or the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, in PSC Order No. 9262, the Commission opened this docket, designated a Hearing Examiner, directed notice of the Application to be publicly noticed pursuant to statute, and established a deadline for interventions; and

WHEREAS, an evidentiary hearing was held on March 27, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have completed post-hearing briefing; and

WHEREAS, after post-hearing briefing was completed but before the Hearing Examiner issued proposed findings and recommendations, Delmarva, Staff and the DPA conferred in an effort to resolve the matters raised in this docket and jointly requested the Hearing Examiner to postpone issuing proposed findings and recommendations pending those negotiations; and

WHEREAS, Delmarva, Staff and the DPA have filed a Joint Motion to Stay this docket (the "Joint Motion"), in which they agree to the following:

- a. The Parties will request the Commission to stay this docket pending the results of Baltimore Gas and Electric Company's Prepaid Pilot Program (the "BGE Pilot"), the results of the BGE Pilot being disseminated, and Pepco or Delmarva filing an application for a prepaid power program in Maryland.
- b. Within a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed 60 days, of the conditions described in subparagraph (a) above having occurred, the Parties will meet to discuss the results of the BGE Pilot, Pepco and/or Delmarva's filing for a prepaid power program in Maryland, and the Parties' positions as to whether the Prepaid Power Program Delmarva proposed in Delaware should move forward as proposed, should be changed, or should be withdrawn.
- c. If, after the conditions described in subparagraphs (a) and (b) above have occurred, Delmarva still wants to implement the Prepaid Power Program in Delaware, Delmarva may request the Commission for leave to remove the stay and set a procedural schedule. The procedural schedule shall provide a deadline by when Delmarva must file supplemental testimony either (1) continuing to propose the Prepaid Power Program as filed; or (2) amending its proposal. Neither DPA nor Staff will oppose Delmarva's request to remove the stay and file supplemental testimony.
- d. The procedural schedule shall also provide a deadline by when DPA and/or Staff may seek leave to file testimony responsive to Delmarva's supplemental testimony, if they choose to do so, as well a deadline for filing such testimony.

Delmarva will not oppose such a request; and

WHEREAS, the Hearing Examiner has issued proposed findings and recommendations recommending that the Commission grant the Joint Motion; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has considered the Hearing Examiner's recommendation at its regularly-scheduled meeting and deliberated in public session;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERD BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF NOT FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:

- 1. We adopt the Hearing Examiner's proposed findings and recommendations.
- 2. This docket is hereby stayed pending the results of the BGE Pilot, the results of the BGE Pilot being disseminated, and Pepco or Delmarva filing an application for a prepaid power program in Maryland.
- 3. Within a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed 60 days, of the conditions described in ordering paragraph (2) above having occurred, the Parties shall meet to discuss the results of the BGE Pilot, Pepco and/or Delmarva's filing for a prepaid power program in Maryland, and the Parties' positions as to whether the Prepaid Power Program Delmarva proposed in Delaware should move forward as proposed, should be changed, or should be withdrawn.
- 4. If, after the conditions described in ordering paragraphs (2) and (3) above have occurred, Delmarva still wants to implement the Prepaid Power Program in Delaware, Delmarva may request the Commission for leave to dissolve the stay and set a procedural schedule. The procedural schedule shall provide a deadline by when Delmarva must file supplemental testimony either (1) continuing to propose the Prepaid Power Program as

filed; or (2) amending its proposal. Neither DPA nor Staff shall oppose Delmarva's request to dissolve the stay and file supplemental testimony.

- 5. The procedural schedule shall also provide a deadline by when DPA and/or Staff may seek leave to file testimony responsive to Delmarva's supplemental testimony, if they choose to do so, as well a deadline for filing such testimony. Delmarva shall not oppose such a request.
- 6. The Commission retains jurisdiction and authority to enter such further orders as are deemed necessary or appropriate.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

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Secretary